1   11. (Amended)   The host system of claim 9, wherein said host driver module and said

2   device driver module constitute a single device that is portable across a plurality of operating systems

3   and host network platforms, and works interoperably with a plurality of storage devices and

4   operating systems.

1   12. (Amended)   The host system of claim 9, wherein said host driver module and said

2   device driver module operate in accordance with an Intelligent Input/Output (I_2O) specification for

3   allowing storage devices to operate independently from the operating system.

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